

STATE OF WASHINGTON

ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGFICANCE

Description of Proposal

Amendment to the WNP-2 Site Certification Agreement for the construction and operation of a nuclear spent fuel Dry Cask Storage Facility.

Proponent

Energy Northwest

Location of proposal, including street address if possible

Washington Nuclear Plant No. 2, Hanford Reservation, Benton County.

Lead Agency

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that with the attached mitigation this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21.C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency.

This information is available to the public on request.

This mitigated DNS is issued under WAC 173-11-350; the lead agency will not act on this proposal during the 14-day public comment period starting from the date listed below.

Responsible Official

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Signature:	/ s /	Date:	7/7/00	

Proposed Mitigation

Energy Northwest Dry Cask Storage Facility

Proposed Mitigation No. 1:

The WNP-2 Dry Cask Storage Facility is permitted under 10 CFR 72 Part 52 and the licensing and regulation of the facility is under the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Because there is a slight potential for off-site release of radioactive material due to a sever accident, the state Emergency Response Plan for Energy Northwest's WNP-2, shall be amended to recognize potential accidental radioactive releases from the proposed Dry Cask Storage Facility.

Proposed Mitigation No. 2:

The WNP-2 Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program (REMP) will be changed to add radiological monitoring of the Dry Cask Storage Facility. The state will also add the Dry Cask Storage Facility to its WNP-2 radiological monitoring program and its audits of the Energy Northwest REMP program. The results of monitoring will be reported in the annually REMP report to EFSEC.